



Delaware and Eastern Washington will meet in the 2011 NCAA Division I Football Championship Game Friday, January 7, 2011, at 6 p.m. (CST) at Pizza Hut Park in Frisco, Texas. The game, which concludes a 20-team national playoff, is being hosted by the Southland Conference, the City of Frisco and Hunt Sports Group. Pizza Hut Park will also host the 2012 and 2013 national championship games. Tickets are available online at ncaa.com/championships/football/fcs or by calling (469) 365-0000. Tickets range from \$30 to \$40.



Meet the Delaware Blue Hens

Location: Newark, Del.
Conference: Colonial Athletic Association
Enrollment: 21,138
Colors: Royal Blue & Gold
Head Coach: K.C. Keeler
Alma mater: Delaware, 1981
Record at UD: 74-41, ninth season
Career Record: 162-62-1, 18th season
2010 Record: 12-2 overall and 6-2 in the CAA

2010 Season Capsule: The Blue Hens find themselves back in the championship game for the first time since 2007 when it lost to Appalachian State, 49-21. Delaware won the 2003 national championship by beating Colgate, 40-0. The team improved to 12-2 after beating Georgia Southern, 27-10, Dec. 18 in the semifinals. Head coach K.C. Keeler, is 74-41 in his ninth season at his alma mater and owns a 162-62-1 career record. Delaware reached the semifinals with wins over Lehigh (42-20) and New Hampshire (16-3).

Quarterback Pat Devlin has completed 239-of-350 passes for 2,812 yards and 22 touchdowns. He has thrown just two interceptions, has a completion percentage of 68.3 percent and his 155.37 rating ranks third in the Football Championship Subdivision. His primary targets are Nijha White, who has 55 receptions for 679 yards and six touchdowns, and Phillip Thaxton, who has 45 grabs for 503 yards and five scores. Four other receivers have caught multiple touchdown passes. On the ground, the Blue Hens' work horse is Andrew Pierce, who has scored 13 touchdowns and is averaging 108.1 yards per game on 301 carries.



Meet the Eastern Washington Eagles

Location: Cheney, Wash.
Conference: Big Sky Conference
Enrollment: 11,504
Colors: Red & White
Head Coach: Beau Baldwin
Alma mater: Central Washington, 1996
Record at EWU: 26-11, third season
Career Record: 36-14, fourth season
2010 Record: 12-2 overall and 7-1 in the Big Sky

2010 Season Capsule: The Eagles have advanced to the championship game for the first time in school history. The Eagles are 12-2 this season and are coached by Beau Baldwin, who is 26-11 in his third season with the school. He has a career record of 36-14 in his fourth season. The Eagles beat Villanova, the defending champion, Dec. 17 in the semifinals. They also have playoff victories against Southeast Missouri State (37-17) and North Dakota State (38-31 in overtime).

SMU transfer Bo Levi Mitchell returns to the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex with his new team, the Eastern Washington Eagles. Mitchell has completed 271-of-462 passes for 3,194 yards and 34 touchdowns. The Katy, Texas, native (Katy HS), has a completion percentage of 58.7 and a pass rating of 134.96. When the Eagles take to the ground, they typically give the ball to Taiwan Jones, who averages 145.2 yards to rank second in the FCS. He has totaled 1,742 rushing yards and 221 carries for an average of 7.9 yards per carry. Jones, who has scored 14 rushing touchdowns, also ranks second in the subdivision with an average of 201.8 total yards per game.

Television Coverage of Championship Game

The 2011 NCAA Division I Football Championship Game will be televised by ESPN2 HD and ESPN3.com. Dave Neal will handle play-by-play duties for the broadcast, while Andre Ware will serve as the color analyst. Jon Berger will offer anecdotes from the sideline.

About the Football Championship Subdivision

With 119 member universities and nearly 13,000 student-athletes taking the field each fall, the Division I Football Championship Subdivision embodies a tradition of excellence through a high level of competition, student-athlete character and sportsmanship throughout the regular season and the championship experience. Ten FCS conferences receive automatic berths to the NCAA Championship, including the Big Sky, Big South, Colonial Athletic Association, Mid-Eastern Athletic, Missouri Valley Football, Northeast, Ohio Valley, Patriot League, Southern and the Southland. Former FCS football student-athletes include Tony Romo and, Miles Austin of the Dallas Cowboys. Current Dallas Cowboys interim head coach Jason Garrett attended Princeton, an Ivy League school and member of the FCS.

